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MATH PHENOMENON



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Chapter

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Famous Inequalities

Cauchy–Schwarz Inequality

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i y_i\right)^2 < \left(\sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2\right) \left(\sum_{i=1}^n y_i^2\right)$$

Minkowski Inequality

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i + y_i|^p\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |y_i|^p\right)^{\frac{1}{p}}; \text{ for } p \geq 1.$$

Hölder's Inequality

$$\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i y_i| \leq \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p\right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |y_i|^q\right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \text{ for } p, q > 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1.$$

Bernoulli Inequality

$(1+x)^r \geq 1+rx$ for $x \geq 1, r \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (0, 1)$. Reverse for $r \in [0, 1]$.

$(1+x)^r \leq 1+(2^r-1)x$ for $x \in [0, 1], r \in \mathbb{R} \setminus (0, 1)$.

$(1+x)^n \leq \frac{1}{1-nx}$ for $x \in [-1, 0], n \in \mathbb{N}$.

$(1+x)^r \leq 1 + \frac{rx}{1-(r-1)x}$ for $x \in \left[-1, \frac{1}{r-1}\right), r > 1$.

$(1+nx)^{n+1} \geq (1+(n+1)x)^n$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}, n \in \mathbb{N}$.

$(a+b)^n \leq a^n b (a+b)^{n-1}$ for $a, b \geq 0, n \in \mathbb{N}$.

$\left(1+\frac{x}{p}\right)^p \geq \left(1+\frac{x}{q}\right)^q$ for (i) $x > 0, p > q > 0$,

(ii) $-p < -q < x < 0$, (iii) $-q > -p > x > 0$. Reverse for:

(iv) $q < 0 < p, -p > x > 0$, (v) $q < 0 < p, -p < x < 0$.

Exponential Inequalities

$e^x \geq \left(1+\frac{x}{n}\right)^n \geq 1+x, \left(1+\frac{x}{n}\right)^n \geq e^x \left(1-\frac{x^2}{n}\right)$ for $n > 1, |x| \leq n$.

$e^x \geq x^e$ for $x \in \mathbb{R}$, and $\frac{x^n}{n!} + 1 \leq e^x \leq \left(1+\frac{x}{n}\right)^{n+\frac{x}{2}}$ for $x, n > 0$.

$$e^x \geq 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} \text{ for } x \geq 0, \text{ reverse for } x \leq 0.$$

$$e^{-x} \leq 1 - \frac{x}{2} \text{ for } x \in [0, \sim 1.59] \text{ and } 2^{-x} \leq 1 - \frac{x}{2} \text{ for } x \in [0, 1].$$

$$\frac{1}{2-x} < x^x < x^2 - x + 1 \text{ for } x \in (0, 1).$$

$$x^{\frac{1}{r}}(x-1) \leq rx(x^{\frac{1}{r}}-1) \text{ for } x, r \geq 1.$$

$$x^y + y^x > 1 \text{ and } e^x > \left(1 + \frac{x}{y}\right)^y > e^{\frac{xy}{x+y}} \text{ for } x, y > 0.$$

$$2 - y - x^{-x-y} \leq 1 + x \leq y + e^{x-y}, \text{ and } e^x \leq x + e^{x^2} \text{ for } x, y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

Logarithm Inequalities

$$\frac{x-1}{x} \leq \ln(x) \leq \frac{x^2-1}{2x} \leq x-1, \ln(x) \leq n \left(x^{\frac{1}{n}} - 1\right) \text{ for } x, n > 0.$$

$$\frac{2x}{2+x} \leq \ln(1+x) \leq \frac{x}{\sqrt{x+1}} \text{ for } x \geq 0, \text{ reverse for } x \in (-1, 0].$$

$$\ln(n+1) < \ln(n) + \frac{1}{n} \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{i} \leq \ln(n) + 1.$$

$$\ln(1+x) \geq \frac{x}{2} \text{ for } x \in [0, \sim 2.51], \text{ reverse elsewhere.}$$

$$\ln(1+x) \geq x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{4} \text{ for } x \in [0, \sim 0.45], \text{ reverse elsewhere.}$$

$$\ln(1-x) \geq -x - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{2} \text{ for } x \in [0, \sim 0.43], \text{ reverse elsewhere.}$$

Trigonometric Inequalities

$$x - \frac{x^3}{2} \leq x \cos x \leq \frac{x \cos x}{1 - \frac{x^2}{3}} \leq x^3 \sqrt{\cos x} \leq x - \frac{x^3}{6} \leq x \cos \frac{x}{\sqrt{3}} \leq \sin x.$$

Hyperbolic Inequalities

$$x \cos x \leq \frac{x^3}{\sinh^2 x} \leq x \cos^2 \left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \leq \sin x \leq \frac{(x \cos x + 2x)}{3} \leq \frac{x^2}{\sinh x'}.$$

$$\frac{2}{\pi} x \leq \sin x \leq x \cos \left(\frac{x}{2}\right) \leq x \leq x + \frac{x^3}{3} \leq \tan x \text{ all for } x \in \left[0, \frac{\pi}{2}\right].$$

$$\cosh(x) + \alpha \sinh(x) \leq e^{x \left(\alpha + \frac{x}{2}\right)} \text{ for } x \in \mathbb{R}, \alpha \in [-1, 1].$$

Chapter 2

Algebra

A.1. If $a, b, c, d \in (0, \infty)$, then: $\frac{a}{a+2b} + \frac{b}{2a+b} + \frac{c}{c+2d} + \frac{d}{2c+d} \geq \frac{4}{3}$.

A.2. If $a, b, c \in \mathbb{N}^* \setminus \{1\}$, then: $\left(1 - \frac{1}{a^2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{b^2}\right)\left(1 - \frac{1}{c^2}\right) > \frac{1}{8}$.

A.3. If x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are positive real numbers; $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$ and $4^n \cdot x_1 x_2 \dots x_n = 1$, prove that:

$$4^n (x_1^2 + x_2)(x_2^2 + x_3) \dots (x_{n-1}^2 + x_n)(x_n^2 + x_1) \geq 1.$$

A.4. If $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{2n+1} \in \mathbb{Z}$; $n \in \mathbb{N}^*$; $x_1 x_2 \dots x_{2n+1} = 1$ then find $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{2n+1}$ so that:

$$|x_1 - x_2| = |x_2 - x_3| = \dots = |x_{2n} - x_{2n+1}| = |x_{2n+1} - x_1|.$$

A.5. Prove that: $\left(1 + \frac{\pi}{e}\right)^9 + \left(1 + \frac{e}{\pi}\right)^9 \geq 1024$.

A.6. If $x, y \in \mathbb{Z}$; $|x| \leq 11$; $|y| \leq 100$, prove that: $|x\sqrt{5} + y\sqrt{7}| > \frac{1}{133}$.

A.7. If $x, y, z \in (0, \infty)$ prove that:

$$\frac{x}{(1+x)^2} + \frac{y}{(1+x+y)^2} + \frac{z}{(1+x+y+z)^2} \leq \frac{x+y+z}{1+x+y+z}.$$

A.8. Prove that, for any $x, y, z \in (0, \infty)$.

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 + xyz(xy + yz + xz) \geq 8 \left(\frac{y^2 z^2 \sqrt{x}}{(z+y)^2} + \frac{x^2 y^2 \sqrt{z}}{(x+y)^2} + \frac{z^2 x^2 \sqrt{y}}{(z+x)^2} \right).$$

A.9. Prove that, for any $x, y, z \in (0, \infty)$.

$$x^3 + y^3 + z^3 + x + y + z \geq 4 \left(\frac{x^2 y}{x+y} + \frac{y^2 z}{y+z} + \frac{z^2 x}{z+x} \right).$$

A.10. Prove that in triangle ABC the following relation is valid:

$$\sum \sqrt{p + \sqrt{ab + ac}} \leq \sqrt{2} \sum \sqrt{a+b}.$$

A.11. If $a, b, c \in [2, 4]$ then: $(a+b+c) \left(\frac{1}{a} + \frac{1}{b} + \frac{1}{c} \right) \leq \frac{81}{8}$.

A.12. Solve the system for real numbers:

$$\begin{cases} x_2 = \sqrt{\frac{x_1^2 + 1}{2}} \\ x_3 = \sqrt{\frac{x_2^2 + 1}{2}} \\ \dots; n \in \mathbb{N}; n \geq 3 \\ x_n = \sqrt{\frac{x_{n-1}^2 + 1}{2}} \\ x_1 = \sqrt{\frac{x_n^2 + 1}{2}} \end{cases}$$

A.13. Prove that if $a, b, c \in (0, \infty)$, $abc = 1$, then:

$$a^3(b^2 + c) + c^3(a^2 + b) + b^3(c^2 + a) \geq 6.$$

Generalization: Prove that if $a, b, c \in (0, \infty)$, $abc = x$ then:

$$a^3(b^2 + c) + c^3(a^2 + b) + b^3(c^2 + a) \geq x(8\sqrt{x} - x - 1).$$

A.14. Prove that if $x, y, z \in [1, \infty)$ then:

$$\sum_{cyc} (x + y)\sqrt{z - 1} \leq xy + yz + zx.$$

A.15. Find the natural numbers (integers) a, b, c so that:

$$(1 + bc)(1 + ac)(1 + ba) = (1 + a)(1 + b)(1 + c)$$

A.16. Prove that for any $a, b, c \in (0, \infty)$; $a \neq b \neq c \neq a$.

$$\sum_{cyc} \left(a + \frac{2ab}{a+b} - 2\sqrt{ab} \right) < \sum_{cyc} |a - b|$$

A.17. Prove that, if $1 \leq x \leq y < z \leq \frac{3}{2}$ then:

$$(x + y)\sqrt{3 - 2z} + (y + z)\sqrt{3 - 2x} + (z + x)\sqrt{3 - 2y} < 2(xy + yz + xz).$$

A.18. Determine $x, y, z \in (0, \infty)$ so that:
$$\begin{cases} (x + y)(1 + z) = 20 \\ xyz = 25 \end{cases}$$

A.19. If $a, b, c \in (0, \infty)$ then:

$$\sum \left(a + \frac{b}{a^2} \right) \left(1 + \frac{a}{b} \right) c \geq 4(a + b + c).$$

A.20. If $m \in \mathbb{N}$; $m \geq 2$; m – fixed and $x, y, z \in (0, \infty)$, find the minimum of the sum

$$S = \sum \frac{x^2}{(my + z)(mz + y)}.$$